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I AM WRITING TO URGE THE FOOD & DRUG ADMINISTRATION TO DO MORE THAN PUT BACTERIA WARNING LABELS ON EGG CARTONS AND REGULATE EGG REFRIGERATION TEMPERATURES, I BELIEVE THE FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION SHOULD PROHIBIT THE PRACTICE OF FORCED MOLTING BECAUSE I HAVE READ AND RESEARCHED THAT FORCED MOLTING HAS BEEN SCIENTIFICALLY SHOWN TO PROMOTE DISEASE. IT DESTROYS THE STARVING HEN'S IMMUNE SYSTEMS, THIS PROCEDURE IS ALSO MORALLY WRONG AND INHUMANE.

I BELIEVE THE FDA HAS THE RIGHT TO BAN FARM PRACTICES SUCH AS FORCED MOLTING, IF IT ENDANGERS HUMAN HEALTH. IT HAS BEEN PROVEN FORCED MOLTING IS A PRIMARY CAUSE OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES IN HENS, EGGS, AND THE PEOPLE WHO CONSUME EGGS. CRUELTY & CONTAMINATION ARE LINKED.

PLEASE GRANT THE PETITION TO STOP FORCED MOLTING IMMEDIATELY.

A RESPONSE IS REQUESTED

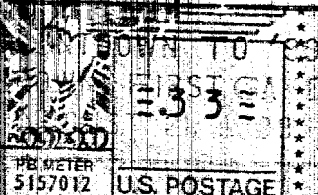
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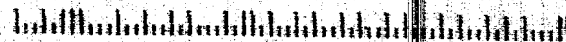
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